GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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KALA AZAR NATIONAL ERADICATION PROGRAMME
ARUN KUMAR

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Kala-azar has been included in the National Eradication Programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the names of the institutions agencies, NGOs, Scientific Laboratories, etc. in Bihar, which has been selected/identified for undertaking this programmes?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a) to (c) The ongoing Kala-azar Control Programme is being implemented through Primary Health Care SystemHowever, an Expert Committee constituted by this Ministry in its report submitted in December, 2000 has indicated feasibility as well as strategy for Kala-azar elimination from the country.

It has been decided, in principle, to provide operational cost besides drugs and medicines to the Kala-azar endemic States from the current financial year.